

Dear Families and Friends,

Welcome to our 2013 Summer Into Reading Challenge. This year's theme is **Dig Into Reading.** We know children are excited to be out of school for the year, but it is very important for them to keep reading each day during the summer.

This calendar provides interactive and fun activities to encourage summer reading. When children read for at least 20 minutes every day, they will maintain their reading skills and learn new and exciting things. At the end of summer your children will be ready to go back to school with increased vocabulary skills and knowledge from the books they have read.

As parents, grandparents, and friends, we want to make certain Utah's children are prepared for their future. It is less important for children to get every word right than it is to learn to love reading itself. And it doesn't matter if reading materials are new or used, owned or borrowed. What is important is that they are in your home and a part of everyday life.

Please read together, play together, and create family memories to last a lifetime. All it takes is a visit to your local library, and a cozy place to cuddle up and read.

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Have a great summer and

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